

REMARKS

The present Amendment amends claims 1-6 and 9-13 and leaves claims 7 and 8 unchanged. Therefore, the present application has pending claims 1-13.

Claims 2, 4-11 and 13 stand rejected under 35 USC §112, second paragraph being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicants regards as their invention. Various amendments were made throughout claims 2, 4-11 and 13 to bring them into conformity with the requirements of 35 USC §112, second paragraph. Therefore, this rejection with respect to claims 2, 4-11 and 13 is overcome and should be withdrawn.

Specifically, amendments were made throughout claims 2, 4-11 and 13 to overcome the objections noted by the Examiner in the Office Action.

The Examiner's cooperation is respectfully requested to contact Applicants' Attorney by telephone should any further indefinite matter be discovered so that appropriate amendments made be made.

Applicants acknowledge the Examiner's indication in paragraph 11 of the Office Action that claims 1, 3 and 12 are allowed.

Applicants also acknowledge the Examiner's indication in paragraphs 12 and 13 of the Office Action that claims 2, 4, 5, 10, 11 and 13 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the 35 USC §112, second paragraph rejection including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Amendments were made throughout claims 2, 4, 5, 10, 11 and 13 to overcome the 35 USC §112, second paragraph rejection including

all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Therefore, claims 2, 4, 5, 10, 11 and 13 are allowable as indicated by the Examiner.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants submit that claims 1-13 are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, early allowance of the present application based on claims 1-13 is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, the applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment of fees, to the deposit account of MATTINGLY, STANGER, MALUR & BRUNDIDGE, P.C., Deposit Account No. 50-1417 (500.43497X00).

Respectfully submitted,

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